

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## In re Application of

Wayne Morgan JOHN et al.

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For: WEATHER RESISTANT ANTI-SLIP PANELS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please amend claims 4, 9 and 11 to 17 as follows:**

4. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 comprising producing a pattern of drillable areas in the cut resistant anti-slip coating and subsequently drilling the substrate.

~~9. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6 and having a pattern of drillable areas in the cut-resistant coating; whereby, in use, the substrate can be drilled at selected areas to obtain a desired placement of fixing holes.~~

~~11. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6, wherein the pattern comprises anti-slip cuttable lines or drillable areas on the or each working surface thereof~~

12. (Amended) A panel as claimed in claim 6, wherein the anti-slip coating comprises anti-slip particles in an adherent coating.